

(1)

Sequences of random variables

$X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_N$

Behavior completely characterized by

$$P \left\{ x_1^l \leq X_1 \leq x_1^u, x_2^l \leq X_2 \leq x_2^u, \dots, x_N^l \leq X_N \leq x_N^u \right\}$$

$$= \int_{x_1^l}^{x_1^u} \int_{x_2^l}^{x_2^u} \dots \int_{x_N^l}^{x_N^u} f_{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N) dx_1 dx_2 \dots dx_N \quad (1)$$

It is apparent that this can get complicated very quickly.

In practice, consider only 2 cases:

(1) X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N mutually independent

$$\Rightarrow f_{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N}(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N) = \prod_{i=1}^N f_{X_i}(x_i)$$

In this (1), above factors into a product of ~~N~~ N integrals

(2) X_1, X_2, \dots, X_N jointly Gaussian

(discuss later)

Example

X_1, \dots, X_n i.i.d. stats. ~~mean~~ μ_x σ_x^2

N_1, \dots, N_n i.i.d. zero mean

$$Y_i = aX_i + N_i$$

$$E\{Y_i\} = a E\{X_i\} + E\{N_i\}$$

$$\bar{Y} = a\bar{X}$$

$$\overline{Y^2} = E\{(aX_i + N_i)^2\}$$

$$= a^2 \overline{X^2} + \underbrace{\overline{N^2}}_{\sigma_N^2}$$

$$\sigma_Y^2 = \overline{Y^2} - (\bar{Y})^2$$

$$= a^2 \overline{X^2} + \sigma_N^2 - a^2 (\bar{X})^2$$

$$= a^2 \sigma_X^2 + \sigma_N^2$$

$$\overline{XY} = E\{X_i(aX_i + N_i)\}$$

$$= a \overline{X^2}$$

$$\sigma_{xy}^2 = \frac{a \overline{x^2} - a(\bar{x})^2}{\sigma_x^2 (a^2 \sigma_x^2 + \sigma_N^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$= a \frac{\sigma_x}{(\sqrt{a^2 \sigma_x^2 + \sigma_N^2})^{1/2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{\sigma_N^2}{a^2 \sigma_x^2}}}$$

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